

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed January 3, 2006, has been received and reviewed. By the present Response, Claims 14-27 are withdrawn. Currently pending in the application, then, are Claims 1-13, 28-34, and 35-52, of which Claims 1, 28, and 35 are independent. No new matter has been introduced by this Response.

Election/Restrictions

The Examiner has issued a restriction to one of the following groups under 35 USC 121:

- I. Claims 1-13 and 28-34 drawn to: a) a device for positioning orthodontic brackets on a model of a set of teeth; and Claims 35-52 drawn to: b) a method of positioning orthodontic brackets on a model of a set of teeth.
- II. Claims 14-17, drawn to a device for positioning orthodontic brackets on a model of a set of teeth using a vertical register assembly.
- III. Claims 18-21, drawn to a device for positioning orthodontic brackets on a model of a set of teeth using a rotation register assembly.
- IV. Claims 18-21, drawn to a device for positioning orthodontic brackets on a model of a set of teeth using a torque register assembly.

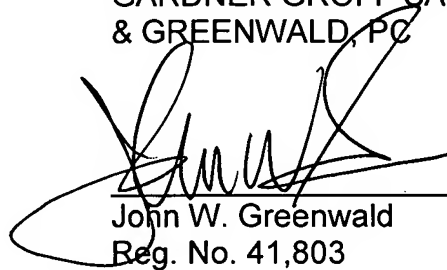
The Applicant elects, without traverse, to continue prosecution of Claims 1-13, 28-34, and 35-52 (Group I). Accordingly, Claims 14-27 (Groups II, III, and IV) are withdrawn, without prejudice.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments submitted herein, it is believed that the application has now been placed in full condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Applicant requests early and favorable action. Should there be any further questions, the Examiner is urged to telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney at (770) 984-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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